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SUBJ: DIEGO GARCIA

REF: A) STATE 045314 B) USIA CIRCULAR 5604

1. THUS FAR THE ONLY REACTION TO FEB 27 SIGNING OF US-UK AGREEMENT ON DIEGO GARCIA APPEARED IN MADAGASCAR MATIN AND GOVERNMENT'S MADAGASCAR PRESSE. BOTH REPORTED AFP VERSION, EXCERPTS OF WHICH FOLLOW:

"THE INITIAL DIEGO-GARCIA AGREEMENT WAS APPROVED BY THE LABOR GOVERNMENT AND THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT IN 1965. IT COVERED THE CREATION AT DIEGO-GARCIA OF A 'COMMUNICATIONS CENTER', EUPHEMISM FOR AIR AND NAVAL BASE. IN ORDER TO DO THIS, THE LABOR GOVERNMENT CREATED A CROWN COLONY WITH THE NAME, 'BRITISH INDIAN OCEAN TERRITORIES', WHICH DETACHED CERTAIN ISLANDS OF THE SEYCHELLE ARCHIPELAGO AND THE ISLAND OF MAURITIUS.

2. "AN AGREEMENT IN PRINCIPLE WAS CONCLUDED FEBRUARY 5, 1974, BY THE CONSERVATIVE GOVERNMENT WITH THE UNITED STATES LEADING UNCLASSIFIED

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TO THE CREATION OF A REAL AIR-NAVAL BASE. IN DECEMBER 1974

THE LABOR GOVERNMENT GAVE ITS AGREEMENT TO 'A MODEST EXPANSION'  
OF THE FACILITIES PROVIDED TO THE UNITED STATES."SHEINBAUM

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